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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, 17TH MARCH, 1869.

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PRICE, \$24 PER ANNUM.

AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL:

LONDON.—F. ALGAR, 11, Clement's Lane,
Lombard Street. GEORGE STREET, 30,
Corrill. GORDON & GOTCH, 121, Hol-
born Hill. E.C. BATES HENDY & CO.,
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AUSTRALIA; TASMANIA, AND NEW
ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTCH, Mel-
bourne and Sydney.

SAN FRANCISCO, and American Ports
generally.—WHITE & BAUER, San
Francisco.

CHINA.—SHEPPARD, DROWN & CO. Amoy,
Giles & CO. Foochow, THOMSON &
CO. Shanghai, H. B. ROBERTSON & CO.
Macao. C. KARUTH & CO.

ATTIVIAH.

March 16, Magdalena, N. Germ. barque,
420 H. L. Boysen, Liverpool, Oct. 11,
450 tons Coal.—SIEMSEN & CO.

Departures.

FROM this date the Management of the
Hongkong Hotel is placed in charge of
Mr. George E. Potter, to whom all com-
munications should be addressed.

LEE A FONG,

Hotel, March 8, 1869.

Shipping Agents.

ARRIVAL OF THE MAIL.

THE LONDON & CHINA EXPRESS

CONTAINS Report on the Committee of
the Directors of OVEREND GURNEY &
CO.

Also,
Details of the Telegraph Scheme, to India,
by Submarine Cables.

Reception of the Burlingame Mission by
the French Emperor.

Cargoes of 11 Ships for China, &c.

THE LONDON & CHINA EXPRESS is
published in London for the P. & O.
Co.'s and French Mails, and contains
Summary of Home, Parliamentary, and
Foreign News.

Special Correspondents' Letters from
Germany, Holland, &c.

Leading Articles on the principal inter-
ests of China.

Digest of Home Opinions on China Sub-
jects.

NOTICE.

SELLING OFF AT COST PRICE.

ONE MONTH ONLY.

ON and after the 17th proximo, the Store
of the Undersigned will positively be
closed, but in the meantime they offer at
COST PRICE

The whole of their Immense Stock
as follows:—

SHIP-CHANDLERY.

Russian Rope, Houseline, Marline, Rat-
line, Seizing Staff, and Hamboline, Mast
Hoops, Jib-Hanks, Kimer and Sand Paper,
Hemp and Cotton Canvas, Parcelling, Dril-
ling, Blocks, Brushes of all kinds, Tar,
Varnish, Leather and Canvas Hoise.

HONGKONG, March 12, 1869.

J. B. MORRIS,
Agent, Queen's Road.

GENTLEMAN'S STORES.

Pickles, Mustard, Sago, Arrowroot, Ta-
poca, Pearl Barley, Raisins, Capers, Chut-
ney, and Curry-Powder, Sauces, and Ket-
chups, Cream Tartar, Soda, Salazarus,
Coffee, Sugar, Milk, Flavoring Extracts,
Essence of Jamaica Ginger, Bologna Saus-
ages, Game Pies, Honey, Preserved
Meats, Soups, Fruits, and Vegetables.

CARPENTER'S AND ENGINEER'S
TOOLS & STORES.

Awars, Chisels, Gouges, Files, Screws,
(Iron and Brass) Hammers, Hatchets, Axes,
Axes, Saws, Pliers, Hinges, Trysquares,
Compasses, Screw Drivers, Braces and
Bits, Holes, Rubber and Tacks, Packing,
Anhyd. Emery Powder, Tube Brushes,
Bellot, Taps and Dies, Water and Gauge
Cocks, Boiler Plates.

IRONMONGERY.

Ship and House Cleaning Stores, Parlor
Grates, Saucepans, Handcuffs, Locks of all
kinds, Shovels, Spades.

FAIRBANK'S PLATFORM SCALES.

IRON SAFES.

Plated Glass and Crockery WARES.

Sherry and Port WINES.

BRANDY and WHISKY in bottles and
casks.

GIN, RUM, LIQUEURS and RHINE
WINES.

ALE & PORTER.

And,

Sundry other GOODS.

Also,

CHARTS at \$0.50 each.

THOS. HUNT & CO.

Hongkong, March 17, 1869.

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Auctions.

IN THE VICE-ADMIRALTY

COURT OF HONGKONG.

In the Gilman & CO. v. THE FRENCH

BARQUE OR VESSEL CALLED

THE "Ocean."

BOWRA & CO. will sell by Public

Auction, by order of M. S. TON-

NOCHY, Esq., Marshal of the Vice-

Admiralty Court of Hongkong (under

a decree of appraisement and sale) on

FRIDAY,

the 19th instant, at Noon,—

An Invoice of Hosiey, comprising:

Men's white, brown and fancy striped
Hose, Women's white and striped Stock-
ings, etc., etc.

Towels, Handkerchiefs, Table Covers,

Black French Merino, 100 cases Brandy,

2 cases Bryant and May's Matches, 12

doz. Brass Barrel Bolts. A quantity of

Silver Watch Guards, Japanese Trays,

Bagatelle Tables, Harness Blacking,

Framed Engravings, 2 New Medicine

Chests, Crosse and Blackwell's Arrow-

root, Etc., etc., etc.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery

in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

All lots, with all faults and errors

of description whatsoever, at Purchaser's

risk upon fall of the hammer.

Hongkong, March 15, 1869.

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New Advertisements.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

BOWRA & CO. will sell by

Public Auction, in their

Ship-Chandlery Store, Praya, on

THURSDAY,

18th March, 1869, at 11 o'clock

A.M., (being a Portion of the

remainder of their STOCK).

Europe and Manila Cordage,

Marline and Seizing Loglines,

Galvanized Clews, Clip Hooks

and Thimbles, Shackles, Can

Hooks, Galvanized Wire Rope,

Anvils, Cable Shackles, Blocks,

Cotton Waste, Varnish, Paints,

Oils, Nails of all sizes, Shovels,

Glue, Holy Stones, Pumice Stone,

Boat Hooks, Rowlocks, Scales,

Lanterns, Pumps, Copper Maga-

zines, Oilmen's Stores, Preserved

Meats, Dried Fish, Brandies,

Whiskey, Claret, Hock, Ver-

mouth, Table Salt, Essence of

Beef, Ginger Wine, Ironwork of

all kinds, Crates of Crown Win-

dow Glass, &c., &c., &c.

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weighed at 7.1.7.

All lots with all faults and errors

of description, at Purchaser's

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Hongkong, March 11, 1869.

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Auctions.

TO ART CONNOISSEURS.

BOWRA & CO. will sell by

Public Auction, in their Store

Promises, on

TUESDAY,

23rd inst., at 2:30 P.M.—

A number of OIL PAINTINGS,

WATER COLOURS, etc., in magni-

ficent Gilt Frames. They include Ori-

ginals, and Copies from the best masters,

and will be nearly all sold without reserve.

Among others are—

2 Landscapes, original—REINHOLD,

1 Judith, original—RIEDEL.

1 Country Woman, original—EPP.

1 Madonna,—after LASO FERRATO.

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Shipping.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The American ship
"HELVETIA,"
Capt. BAILEY, will have quick
despatch for the above port.
For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, February 26, 1869.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The American ship
"NATIONAL EAGLE,"
Captain NICKERSON, will have
quick despatch for the above
port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
AUGUSTINE LEARD & Co.
Hongkong, February 26, 1869.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.
The Amr. Ship
"SWIRLY,"
Captain FERGUSON, will have
quick despatch for the above
Port.
(For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, January 29, 1869.)

Notices to Consignees.

P. M. S. S. Co. Steamer "JAPAN,"
from YOKOHAMA and SAN
TRANUSCO.

CONSIGNERS of cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

GEO. E. LANE,
Agent,
Hongkong, March 15, 1869.

ONSIGNERS of cargo per Company's Steam-ship "Dowmunt," are requested to land in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take delivery of their Goods before the 11th instant, or they will be landed and stored at their risk and expense.

C. BERTRAND,
Principal Agent,
Hongkong, March 8, 1869.

BARQUE "BENEFACTOR," from
NEW YORK.

ONSIGNERS of cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

SMITH, ARCHER & Co.
Hongkong, March 1, 1869.

STEAMSHIP "ZIBA," FROM LONDON.

ONSIGNERS of cargo by the above-named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignee's risk and expense.

TURNER & Co.,
Hongkong, March 4, 1869.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE following cases are now stored in the P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Godown at the expense and risk of the Consignees who are requested to take immediate delivery.

"Ex. China," 30th January 1869.

S. H. M. 1 case Catalogues;
"Ex. Hongkong," 2nd January 1869.

Messrs Lablanc & Co. 1 case Leather Ware.

Messrs Louët & Co. 1 case Books & Stationery.

"Ex. Emei," 23rd October 1868.

Messrs Lablanc & Co. 1 case Manuf'd. Goods.

"Ex. Orissa," 24th August, 1868.

Messrs Lablanc & Co., Manila. 2 cases Books and Manufactured Goods.

C. H. Lablanc & Co. 411.

W. MACAULAY,
Superintendent,
Hongkong, February 25, 1869.

Notices of Firms.

From this date Mr. GEORGE E. LANE,
will act as Agent of the Pacific Mail
Steam-ship Company at this port.

Geo. F. BOWMAN,
Hongkong, March 15, 1869.

NOTICE.

THE UNION DOCK COMPANY OF
HONGKONG & WHAMPON LIMITED

MR. ROBERT S. WALKER has this day
been appointed Secretary to the Company,
and Mr. JOHN INGLIS, the present
Acting Secretary, resumes his functions as
Managing Engineer for the Company.

By order of the Board of Directors.

JOHN INGLIS,
Acting Secretary,
Hongkong, March 3, 1869.

NOTICE.

THE Firm of Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON
& Co., of Hongkong, is instructed to ascertain
the whereabouts of DON RAFAEL
YEGORAS, 18 years of age, native of Guatema-

la, a master in which he is concerned.
He is therefore requested to apply to the
above.

Hongkong, February 5, 1869.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr.
WILLIAM NEILSON in our Firm ceased
on the 30th June last.

Mr. THOMAS PIM, Mr. WILLIAM NIBBET
GASKIN, and Mr. H. SEYMOUR GRAY are
authorized to sign our Firm in Hongkong
and China from this date.

OLYMPIAN & Co.,
Hongkong, October 1, 1868.

NOTICE.

Children's Trimmed Hats, Boots, Petambulators, Picture Books, Toys, &c.

Dressing Cases, and Travelling Bags

fitted, for Ladies and Gentlemen, Playing

Cards, and a large assortment of Stationery
and Perfumery Goods.

S. W. BAKER & Co.
Hongkong, December 24, 1868.

Notices of Firms

MRS. H. DAVID is authorized to sign
our Firm per procuratum from this
date.

E. D. SASOON & Co.
Hongkong, March 1, 1869.

NOTICE.

I HAVE this day established myself as a
PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, AVERAGE ADJUSTER
and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.

C. LANGDON DAVIES.

Hongkong, July 1, 1868.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr.
GEORG WILHELM SCHWEITZER and of
Mr. RUDOLF HEINZEN in our firm ceased
on the 31st December 1867, and 31st Decem-
ber 1868 respectively.

Mr. FERDINAND NISSEN and Mr. HEIN-
RICH HOFFMANN have this day been admitted
partners in our firm at Hongkong and in
China, which now consists of Mr. GEORG
THEODOR SIMSEN, Mr. WOLFGANG NIE-
SEN, Mr. ADOLPH JOEST, Mr. FERDINAND
NISSEN and Mr. HEINRICH HOFFMANN.

SIEMSEN & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1869.

NOTICE.

THE interest and responsibility of Mr.
FREDERICK PEDDER in our Firm ceases
from this date.

H. D. BROWN & Co.

Amoy, December 31, 1868.

MR. FRANCIS CHOMLEY is a Partner in
our Firm, which from this date will be
conducted under the Name of BROWN &
Co.

H. D. BROWN & Co.

Amoy, January 1, 1869.

NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. CLAUDE BUDD
to sign our Firm from this date.

DREYER & Co.

Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

MORRIS'S DIRECTORY
for
CHINA, JAPAN
and
THE PHILIPPINES, &c.,
1869.

THE above Work is now PUBLISHED AND READY FOR CIRCULATION. Apply to JOHN B. MORRIS, Messrs Bowra & Co., Queen's Road, Hongkong, January 13, 1869.

DEATH.

At Shanghai, on the 8th inst., LYDIA WALLACE, of Philadelphia, U.S.A., the wife of Thornton B. Russell, Esq., Harbor Master.

THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 1869.

THE AUSTRIAN EMBASSY.

A PORTION of the Austrian Embassy to China, Japan, and the East has at length arrived at Singapore. Chevalier de Scherzer and the diplomatic members having come on by the last mail. The two ships, *Donaus* and *Frederick*, are reported to have passed Amur and by the last advices were expected at Singapore within a few days. The embassy were upon their arrival to proceed in those ships to Bangkok to negotiate a treaty between Austria and Siam, and this being concluded will leave for Hongkong. We may therefore hope to see them here somewhere about the middle of next month.

Rumour points to the selection of a gentleman to fill the future post of Consul-General, or it may be Minister, in the North, whose qualifications already tested in this colony are of the highest character; and we shall congratulate the Austrian Government on their choice, if the report we allude to be true. It is to be hoped, however, that a great power like Austria will avoid the error into which other governments who have recently concluded Treaties with China have unfortunately fallen, in appointing mercantile Consuls to represent their interests at the Treaty Ports. The Consuls should be men who are salaried as such, and not the heads of business houses. In thus speaking we do not intend to cast any reflection upon the status of mercantile Consuls, or upon the performance of their duties as regards foreign residents in China. But we are able to speak positively of the injurious effect produced upon the native mind by the combination of consular and commercial avocation, chiefly because the Chinese are utterly unable to conceive the disinterested performance of official functions which must at times either aid or embarrass one as a simple merchant. There is moreover a decided tendency in the Chinese official temperament to regard any person engaged in trade as of inferior social status. The feeling is ridiculous enough, and might have long since been worn away in great part, had not too much reason been given at several ports to doubt the strict honour and disinterestedness of certain merchants representing other powers—(we call to mind the "Consuls" of some four or five nationalities)—but right or wrong the idea exists amongst the Chinese that the combination of the two professions is degrading to the one and gives undue advantages to the other, and it would be unwise to ignore its existence.

There are many reasons which conduce to security to the members of the embassy a most cordial welcome, and every possible aid from British subjects resident in these countries, and not the least is the fact that unbroken cordiality has for so long a period subsisted between the two powers. Upon no possible ground can jealousy be created between China residents of the two nationalities, while we may express a reasonable hope that the appearance of R. Admiral Baron von Petz at Peking will have a favourable result upon the many political questions now pending between other foreign representatives and the Chinese. As one of the "Great Powers," Austria need be but slightly indebted to others for assistance. Interpretorial help will of course be necessary, there being in China but one gentleman connected with the Austrian Government who has studied the language. That this help will be most freely accorded by British officials, should it be requested, it is scarcely necessary to say, and their experience cannot but prove valuable as having been in the front of all negotiations, whether peaceful or warlike, which have taken place during the last decade. As having at least no opposing interest, none will more sincerely rejoice to see Austria amongst the list of "treaty powers" than will British subjects in China generally. Whether her advent will be regarded with equal complacency by nations more nearly allied by position and language, we cannot say. But if they are wise, they will recognize in every addition to the powers which negotiate with China a reinforcement to that pressure which is needed to open up the country, while preserving its autonomy and the stability of its government.

Mr May, sitting Magistrate, Henry Taylor, one of the Naval Yard watchmen, was charged by Sergeant Jones, of the same force, with having got drunk and threatened his comrades with firearms, while on duty at Kowloon. Prisoner got drunk last night, and instead of going on duty as he ought to have done at the Kowloon Stores, he was ordered to remain in his quarters and to give up his revolver. Prisoner refused to give up the revolver, and became violent, cocking the pistol and threatening to shoot any one who attempted to touch him. There were then three in the room, and the prisoner was not interfered with while in the attitude above described. Taylor, however, soon came to reason, and threw down the revolver without shooting any one. He was, however, dismissed from the force in consequence of this drunken freak.—Defendant pleaded the presence of the drink, saying he never would have fired at any one; he hoped the magistrate would bear in mind that he had lost his situation in consequence of his foolishness.—The magistrate then sent prisoner to hard labor for one month.

Henry Hughes, a seaman who when in trouble invariably wears his intention of joining the American navy, but never carries out that intention, and is periodically picked up drunk in the street, was up again to-day. He was found drunk at 8 o'clock last night, and he told the magistrate this morning that he was to join the U. S. Navy as a sort of *dernier resort*. Memo: he has been in Gaol as a rogue and vagabond about half a dozen times. He was sent again, for other 14 days.

Hugh Munro, a colored man, appeared with his face visibly discolored in several places. Thos. Williams, a Brazilian, appeared in the dock, charged with having battered the colored man into this highly colored condition. Defendant's colored wife appeared as a witness. Poor Munro has been under treatment at the Hospital for two or three days; and his story is a curious one. He said that they were all "about" drinking together on Friday last, when Williams got under the influence and returned to his house at West Point. Shortly afterwards, prisoner gave vent to an expression to the effect that he loved him very much; and he then proceeded to prove his strong affection by knocking defendant's head against a wall, which made him senseless. After this (Munro says) defendant kicked him all over the body, so that no part of his corporation should escape his affection; and the demonstration of attachment was closed by a cut on the forehead with a small knife. Munro further said, "We have always been on good terms." The wife of Munro deplored to drinking, words and scuffling, and said that prisoner was drunk. Prisoner himself admitted he was drunk. He adjourned it for a short time, in order to get the pawn-tickets, and consider the matter.

On resuming, the pawn-tickets produced were found to be dated prior to the date when the cause of action commenced; but the plaintiff said she had given some of them to her friends.

His Honor thereupon said that he had come to the conclusion that plaintiff's statement was false; she had completely failed to make out her case, and he would therefore decide against her. Judgment was then given for \$12, the sum which was admitted by the defendant as lent him by the plaintiff.

The Court then adjourned till 3 o'clock.

"How do you like me, now?" asked a bells of her spouse, as she sailed into the room with a sweeping train of satin following her. "Well," said he, "to tell the truth, it is impossible for me to like you any longer."

A GENTLEMAN, who recently travelled over a Western railroad, declared his opinion that it is the safest road in the country, as the superintendent keeps a boy running ahead of the train to drive off the cows and sheep!—*American Paper*.

ALTHOUGH Hongkong may not feel called upon to express the vivid interest in Mr Cooper's exploration scheme which has been manifested by the Shanghai and Calcutta Chambers of Commerce, it does seem that a slight expression of opinion upon the matter from our own Chamber would be both opportune and useful. The matter lies in a very small compass. Either the endeavour to explore a western route to China is likely, if successful, to favourably affect the interests of merchants at Canton and Hongkong, or it is not. In the former case, the manifestation of interest in his proceedings would strengthen the hands of the Calcutta merchants and indirectly those of the Indian Government, to which he must be largely indebted for aid in his by no means easy undertaking. If, on the other hand, the mercantile community are of opinion that an attempt to open up a western route is likely to be mischievous or useless, a few words to that effect would put the matter in a light less favourable to the Calcutta people and prevent a needless waste of money and the risk of life to a man who undoubtedly deserves high credit for his enthusiasm, even if his scheme be chimeraical. We can only throw out the suggestion. It must rest with the more thinking portion of our community to say which view should in the interests of commerce be taken. But at least let us have something more than a "dumb oracle" upon a subject which must for good or evil some day tell upon our commercial relations with this empire.

LEGAL

We received the following Memo, too late for our first page:—"Please alter the time of *Ararat* Appear's sailing to 2 p.m. on 20th, instead of Noon. Despatches will close at 1 p.m."

The Criminal Sessions for March commence to-morrow morning, at ten o'clock. Thirteen cases are already on the Calendar, several of which are charges for serious offences. The prisoners charged with the murder of Mr Holworthy are not included in the list.

TO-DAY'S POLICE.

Mr May, sitting Magistrate, Henry Taylor, one of the Naval Yard watchmen, was charged by Sergeant Jones, of the same force, with having got drunk and threatened his comrades with firearms, while on duty at Kowloon. Prisoner got drunk last night, and instead of going on duty as he ought to have done at the Kowloon Stores, he was ordered to remain in his quarters and to give up his revolver. Prisoner refused to give up the revolver, and became violent, cocking the pistol and threatening to shoot any one who attempted to touch him. There were then three in the room, and the prisoner was not interfered with while in the attitude above described. Taylor, however, soon came to reason, and threw down the revolver without shooting any one. He was, however, dismissed from the force in consequence of this drunken freak.—Defendant pleaded the presence of the drink, saying he never would have fired at any one; he hoped the magistrate would bear in mind that he had lost his situation in consequence of his foolishness.—The magistrate then sent prisoner to hard labor for one month.

Henry Hughes, a seaman who when in trouble invariably wears his intention of joining the American navy, but never carries out that intention, and is periodically picked up drunk in the street, was up again to-day. He was found drunk at 8 o'clock last night, and he told the magistrate this morning that he was to join the U. S. Navy as a sort of *dernier resort*. Memo: he has been in Gaol as a rogue and vagabond about half a dozen times. He was sent again, for other 14 days.

Hugh Munro, a colored man, appeared with his face visibly discolored in several places. Thos. Williams, a Brazilian, appeared in the dock, charged with having battered the colored man into this highly colored condition. Defendant's colored wife appeared as a witness. Poor Munro has been under treatment at the Hospital for two or three days; and his story is a curious one. He said that they were all "about" drinking together on Friday last, when Williams got under the influence and returned to his house at West Point. Shortly afterwards, prisoner gave vent to an expression to the effect that he loved him very much; and he then proceeded to prove his strong affection by knocking defendant's head against a wall, which made him senseless. After this (Munro says) defendant kicked him all over the body, so that no part of his corporation should escape his affection; and the demonstration of attachment was closed by a cut on the forehead with a small knife. Munro further said, "We have always been on good terms." The wife of Munro deplored to drinking, words and scuffling, and said that prisoner was drunk. Prisoner himself admitted he was drunk. He adjourned it for a short time, in order to get the pawn-tickets, and consider the matter.

On resuming, the pawn-tickets produced were found to be dated prior to the date when the cause of action commenced; but the plaintiff said she had given some of them to her friends.

His Honor thereupon said that he had come to the conclusion that plaintiff's statement was false; she had completely failed to make out her case, and he would therefore decide against her. Judgment was then given for \$12, the sum which was admitted by the defendant as lent him by the plaintiff.

The Court then adjourned till 3 o'clock.

"How do you like me, now?" asked a bells of her spouse, as she sailed into the room with a sweeping train of satin following her. "Well," said he, "to tell the truth, it is impossible for me to like you any longer."

A GENTLEMAN, who recently travelled over a Western railroad, declared his opinion that it is the safest road in the country, as the superintendent keeps a boy running ahead of the train to drive off the cows and sheep!—*American Paper*.

had pledged the goods. As the goods were all identified by the owner, there was no doubt concerning the case.—His Worship remarked that the defendants must have known that the goods were not honestly in the possession of the men who pledged them; as the goods consisted of superior clothing for female wear, while the men who pledged them gave their residences in low localities, such as Tung Hing Lane, Gilman Street and Wanlu. He would therefore order all the property to be returned to the owner, who would not be required to pay a cent of either principal or interest. As the money advanced on the whole of the goods did not exceed \$40, the loss was not very great to the pawnbrokers; but the sum which would have been gained to them had it not been for the exertions of Inspector Grey, would have been proportionately large.

QUEEN VICTORIA AND HER SUBJECTS.

Under this head Justin McCarthy, editor of the London *Star*, thus illustrates "The Nullity of Queenly Power in England."

I can only recollect one instance, during my observation, in which Queen Victoria put her veto on a bill passed by Parliament, and that was on an occasion when it was discovered, at the last moment, that the Lords and Commons had passed a bill which had a dreadful technical blunder in it, and the only way out of the difficulty was to beg of the Queen to refuse it her sanction, which her Majesty did accordingly, and the blunder was set right in the following session. If a Prime Minister were to announce to the House of Commons, to-morrow, that the Queen had box'd his ears, it would not create a whit more amazement than if he were to say, no matter in what graceful and diplomatic phrase, that her Majesty was unwilling to agree to some measure which her faithful Commons desired to pass into law.

Nothing did Mr Disraeli more harm, nothing brought greater contempt on him, than his silly attempts last session to induce the Commons to believe, by vague insinuations and covert allusions, that the Queen had a personal leaning towards his policy and himself. So long ago as the time of the free-trade struggle, the Tories, for all their hereditary loyalty, complained of and protested against the silent presence of Prince Albert in the Peer's gallery in the House of Commons on the ground that it was an attempt to influence the Parliament improperly, and to interfere with the freedom of debate. No one has anything to say against the Queen which carries any weight or is worth listening to. She is undoubtedly a woman of virtue and good sense. So good a woman I venture to think, never before reigned over any people, and that she is not a great woman, an Elizabeth, a Catherine of Russia, or even an Isabella of Castile, is surely rather to do with the hire thereof. 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MARCH 17, 1869.

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TOS, February 26, 1869

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by Wm. FRED. MAYER,

by CHARLES ABRAHAM

at No. 2, Wyndham

Hongkong.

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Post-Office Notifications.

MAILS BY THE "EMERSON."

The Contract Packet, "EMERSON," will be dispatched with the usual Mails for Europe, &c., on TUESDAY, the 23rd March, at 9 A.M., and the Post Office will be open for the reception of Ordinary Letters, Letters for Registration, Newspapers, Books, &c., until 8 P.M. on the 22nd Instant. Letters, &c., may be posted in the night box from 8 P.M. on the 22nd Instant until 7 A.M. on the following morning.

All Letters posted between 7 and 8 A.M. on the 22nd Instant will be charged in addition to the usual postage, with a Late Fee of 18 cents.

latest time for posting Letters at this Office is 8 A.M., and for Newspapers, Books, or Patterns 7 A.M. on the 23rd Instant.

Further, late letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom via Marseilles or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet from 6.30 P.M. on payment of a late fee of 48 cents each, in addition to the postage, after which no Letter can be received.

Sealed Boxes containing the correspondence of Box Holders will be received at the window set apart for the purpose, on the East Side of the building.

All correspondence for places to which payment is compulsory must be prepaid in Hongkong Postage Stamps.

Insufficiently stamped Letters addressed to the United Kingdom will be sent on, charged with a fine of Shilling in addition to the postage.

If an Order is not paid before the end of the Sixth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn, for instance, if drawn in January, payment must be obtained before the end of July, otherwise the Order will become lapsed, and a new Order (for which a second Commission, to be deducted from the amount of the Order, was originally drawn) must be made to the Office of the Money Order Office of such Country. This application must be accompanied by an additional Commission, unless it has reference to a Lapsed Order, in which case the Commission will be deducted from the amount of the New Order.

13.—Repayment whether of an original or renewed, or a duplicate Order, will not be made to the remitter until it has been renewed for payment in the Country in which the Order was originally drawn, application must be made to the Office of the Money Order Office of such Country.

14.—Payment of an Order must be obtained before the end of the Sixth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn; for instance, if drawn in January, payment must be obtained before the end of July, otherwise the Order will become lapsed, and a new Order (for which a second Commission, to be deducted from the amount of the Order, was originally drawn) must be made to the Office of the Money Order Office of such Country.

15.—If an Order is not paid before the end of the Twelfth Calendar Month after that in which it was drawn,—for instance, if drawn in January, and not paid before the end of the following January—all claim to the Money will be forfeited, unless under peculiar circumstances, the Post Office of the Country in which the Order was drawn think proper to allow it.

16.—After once paying a Money Order whomsoever presented, the paying Office will not be liable to any further claim. If a wrong payment, however, be made owing to negligence on the part of any Officer of the Post Office, the Postmaster General of the Country or Colony in which the negligence occurs will, if he sees fit, require the Officer in fault to make good the loss.

17.—No Money Order will be paid unless the advice has been previously received.

18.—Additional Rules for greater security against fraud, and for the better working of the system generally will be made as occasion may require.

19.—Should it appear that Money Orders are used by mercantile men, or others, either the United Kingdom or at Hongkong, Shanghai, or Yokohama, for the transmission of large sums of money, the British or Colonial Post Office, as the case may be, will consider the propriety of increasing the Commission, and will exercise the power of wholly suspending for a time the issue of Money Orders.

By Command, F. W. MITCHELL, Postmaster General, Hongkong, 22nd August, 1868.

INSURANCES.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

(FIRE AND LIFE.)

CAPITAL.—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, or Coals in Matches, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1,000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premium, forms of proposals or any other information apply to ALTHOLD KARBERG & CO.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAM-SHIP COMPANY.

TEAERS OF THIS LINE WILL BE DISPATCHED AS FOLLOWS:

March 19, 1869; April 19, 1869; May 19, 1869; June 19, 1869; July 19, 1869; August 19, 1869.

A Steamer will leave Shanghai on about same date, connecting at Yokohama with above-named steamer.

Passengers ticketed through to California, Mexico, Central and South America, at Aspinwall with the Royal West India Mail Line, the West Indies, and Pacific Steamship Company, (London), and the French Transatlantic Company. And, at New York, with the various lines to Europe. Tickets issued for the following Steamship Lines: Cuban, National, General, Transatlantic Co., New York and Havre Steamship Co., Hamburg and American Packet Co., New York and Boston Steamship Co., and North German Lloyd.

Favorable arrangements have been made through passengers and freight to America, from Calcutta, Penang and Singapore, and from Siam, Amoy and Foochow.

Through Bills of Lading given for Ports of Mexico and on the West Coast of Central and South America to as far as Valparaiso, New York, Liverpool, Southampton and St. Nazare, France.

Freight to United States payable in advance, in Mexican Dollars, or on delivery of American Gold Coin with 8 per cent additional, at shipper's option.

For further information apply at the agency of the Company, Fraya West.

GEO. F. BOWMAN, Agent, Hongkong, February 16, 1869.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Marine Risks at current rates.

For further particulars, forms of proposal, &c., apply to AUGUSTINE HEARD & CO.

Managing Agents in China.

Hongkong, June 1867.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.

SHIPPING IN HARBOUR

HONGKONG.

Consignees of Vessels will greatly oblige by forwarding corrections of errors in the following list.

Exclusive of Arrivals, Departures and Clearances reported to-day.

C. on Pedder's Wharf.—W., from Pedder's Wharf to Gibb's Wharf.—W., Westward of Gibb's Wharf.—E., on Pedder's Wharf to the Military Hospital.—E., Eastward of the Hospital.—K., on Kowloon side.

Vessel's Name and Where Anchored.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignee or Agents.	Destination.	Intended Despatch.
1868-69.							
Amelia	W. Smith	Brit. str.	938	March 9	Gibb, Livingston & Co	Calcutta, &c.	20th, noon
Albion	E. Hutchison	Brit. str.	948	March 9	Jardine, Matheson & Co	Calcutta, &c.	20th, noon
Bahama	W. Bound	Foh. str.	1063	March 6	Messagers Imperiales	Saigon, Suez, &c.	30th, noon
Douglas	W. Toppin	Brit. str.	615	March 6	Douglas Lapraik & Co	Swatow, &c.	18th, noon
Emu	W. Bowes	Brit. str.	1582	March 12	O. S. N. Co		
King	W. Pinel	Brit. str.	1044	March 13	A. Heart & Co		
Japan	W. Lane	Amer. str.	4530	March 13	Pecile, Mail S. S. Co	Shanghai	19th, 3 p.m.
Kalsome	W. Bailey	Siam. str.	176	March 10	Chinese	Y'ma & S. Francisco	
Madras	W. Davies	Brit. str.	606	March 10	P. & O. S. N. Co		
Malacca	W. Macnamara	Brit. str.	1780	March 6	P. & O. S. N. Co		
Titania	W. Hamlin	Tahit. str.	805	January 21	A. Heard & Co		
Venus	W. Cuming	Amer. str.	677	August 27	A. Heard & Co		
Young-hai-an	W. Morrison	Russ. str.	447	October 19	Lindstein & Co		
SAILING VESSELS							
Armenia & Constantia	W. Lindouk	Dut. bk.	466	Feb. 1	Bozman & Co		
Albatross	W. Lousin	N. Ger. bk.	412	March 16	Bourjau, Hubener & Co		
Alberto	E. Onken	N. Ger. str.	650	Feb. 10	E. Schellhas & Co		
Amazone	W. Halmerton	Frit. bk.	329	January 20	Birley & Co		
Andamana	E. Fabricius	N. Ger. bk.	400	March 7	Jardine, Matheson & Co		
America	K. Park	Salv. str.	1450	January 16	Captain		
Amur	W. Cyllepalms	Euns. str.	200	March 6	Order		
Annie	E. Petrie	Brit. str.	1504	Feb. 16	John Bird & Co		
Asuncion	W. Berri	Span. str.	270	Feb. 13	Order		
Atlantic	E. Sunr.	N. Ger. str.	183	January 21	Carlowitz & Co		
Audax	K. O'Sullivan	Brit. str.	299	Dec. 31	Falcone & Co		
Benefactor	W. Berry	Amer. str.	698	Feb. 28	Smith, Archer & Co		
Bezaleel	W. Chisholm	Brit. sch.	204	Feb. 20	Order		
Black Prince	E. Ingles	Brit. str.	750	March 4	Turner & Co		
Calliope	E. Levarelo	Salv. str.	1440	Nov. 17	Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Candelaria	W. Lars	Span. str.	407	January 23	Remedios & Co		
Coro	W. Schwarz	N. Ger. str.	410	March 16	Wm. Pustau & Co		
Charlotte	W. Stevergraft	N. Ger. sch.	319	Feb. 26	Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Charlotte H. Andrews	W. Vandergrift	Brit. str.	355	Feb. 2	Rozario & Co		
Clipper	W. Hoffmeiss	N. Ger. sch.	223	March 11	Melchers & Co		
Der West	K. Pust	N. Ger. str.	541	Feb. 21	Bourjau, Hubener & Co		
Dom Pedro II	W. Young	Brit. str.	244	March 1	A. Metta & Co		
Ellen	W. Windsor	Brit. str.	631	Dec. 20	Olyphant & Co		
Elijah Rickmers	W. Rehm	N. Ger. str.	308	March 10	McLchers & Co		
Endemita	W. Kappelmann	N. Ger. str.	400	March 1	Bourjau, Hubener & Co		
F. A. Palmer	W. McCloslin	Brit. str.	1826	January 3	A. Heard & Co		
Frederic	W. Nicieza	Belg. str.	803	January 8	Borneo Company		
Gorga Becker	W. Behnuk	N. Ger. str.	268	March 8	Siemens & Co		
Gravina	W. Baroldi	Span. str.	246	March 11	Remedios & Co		
Guinevere	W. Spowat	Brit. str.	878	Feb. 28	Jardine, Matheson & Co		
Helvetia	E. Bailey	Amer. str.	1205	Feb. 9	Russell & Co		
Hongkong	W. Freudenburg	Siam. str.	635	Feb. 14	Chinese		
Iris	E. Schultz	N. Ger. str.	224	Feb. 28	E. Schellhas & Co		
Japan	K. Hayter	N. Ger. str.	216	Feb. 8	Arnhold, Karberg & Co		
Juno	E. Iversen	N. Ger. str.	259	March 5	Arnhold, Karberg & Co		
Kedar	K. Cowie	Brit. str.	532	March 16	D. Lapraik & Co		
Kim Yang Tye	W. Lange	Siam. str.	623	January 18	Chinese		
Loew Fe	W. Collinson	Brit. str.	286	October 10	Order		
Loew Fe	W. Heinhardt	Ital. str.	206	Feb. 9	Carlowitz & Co		
Midura	W. Steffens	N. Ger. str.	268	March 7	Siemens & Co		
Miria	W. Canellas	Russ. str.	637	Feb. 10	Landstein & Co		
Mitadon	W. Kalldosser	N. Ger. str.	302	March 8	Wm. Pustau & Co		
Mitieon	W. Petterson	Siam. str.	395	Feb. 11	Chinese		
Morning Star	W. Schutt	Siam. str.	770	January 17	Chinese		
National Eagle	E. Nickerson	Amer. str.	1095	Feb. 2	A. Heard & Co		
Narino	E. Paddon	Brit. str.	408	Feb. 21	Landstein & Co		
Nepitne	W. Burnell	Brit. str.	287	Feb. 7	R. S. Walker & Co		
Northwest	W. Oates	Brit. str.	876	March 10	Gilmans & Co		
Nuevo Constante	W. Fabis	Span. str.	203	Dec. 16	Remedios & Co		
Ocean	E. Nurys	Foh. str.	528	Nov. 5	Russell & Co		
Old Dominion	E. Freeman	Amer. str.	693	March 11	A. Heard & Co		
Queen of England	W. Hoffmann	Siam. str.	542	January 15	Chinese		
Rodrigo	W. Perello	Span. str.	177	March 8	W. Wahce & Co		
Ruby	E. Schwakly	Brit. str.	532	Feb. 15	Carlowitz & Co		
Salamander	W. Tetlefson	N. Ger. str.	324	March 12	Arnhold, Karberg & Co		
Senta Anna	W. Gavito	Span. str.	462	Feb. 10	Remedios & Co		
Shirley	W. Ferguson	Amer. str.	1049	Dec. 31	Russell & Co		
Sophie & Helene	W. Peschke	N. Ger. str.	300	March 14	Bourjau, Hubener & Co		
Southern Cross	E. Mordue	Brit. str.	592	January 21	Ray & Co		
Sultan	W. Moss	Brit. str.	520	Feb. 27	Thomas Howard		
Vision	W. Cummins	Brit. str.	169	March 13	A. G. Hogg & Co		
W. G. Russell	E. Jewett	Brit. str.	1243	March 7	Master		
Windward	K. Barrett	Amer. str.	982	Feb. 8	Russell & Co		
Ziba	K. Bowes	Brit. str.	513	March 7	Douglas Lapraik & Co		
WHAMPOA.							
Vessel's Name.	Captain.	Flag & Rig.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignee or Agents.	Destination.	Intended Despatch.
Anne Porter	Davey	Brit. str.	234	March 3	Order	Ningpo	
Arthur	Crosby	Amer. str.	250	January 25	Russell & Co		
Bahama	Ferris	Brit. str.	716	Feb. 27	Douglas Lapraik & Co		
Batavia	Herter	N. Ger. str.	365	March 9	Wm. Pustau & Co		
Bertha	Mooney	Brit. str.	285	Feb. 25	Douglas Lapraik & Co		
China	Moller	N. Ger. str.	648	March 12	Siemens & Co		
Colina	Buhrlfeind	N. Ger. str.	225	Feb. 18	Wm. Pustau & Co		
Fronn	Lutgina	N. Ger. str.	198	March 17	Carlowitz & Co		
Niger	Jobling	Brit. str.	1125	March 12	Borneo Company		
At Whampoa.							
At Canton.							

VESSELS LOADING.

Destination.	Vessel's Name.	Flag & Rig.	Consignee.
CHINA & JAPAN PORTS.			
NINGPO	Anne Porter*	Brit. str.	Order
Do.	Batavia*	N. Ger. str.	Wm. Pustau & Co
SHANGHAI	China †	N. Ger. str.	Siemens & Co
TIENTSIEN	Atlantic	N. Ger. str.	Carlowitz & Co
Do.	Madura	N. Ger. str.	Siemens & Co
Do.	Colima*	N. Ger. str.	Wm. Pustau & Co
YOKOHAMA	Dar West	N. Ger. str.	Bourjau, Hubener & Co
Do.	Japan	N. Ger. str.	Arnhold, Karberg & Co
OTHER PORTS.			
Y. HAMA & S. F. CICO	Japan	Amer. str.	P. M. S. S. Co
SAN FRANCISCO	Helvetia	Amer. str.	Russell & Co
Do.	National Eagle	Amer. str.	